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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Official Action dated March 30, 2007, the applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.